

Special Meeting Minutes: May 21, 2020

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE OGLESBY CITY COUNCIL WAS HELD ON THURSDAY MAY 21, 2020 AT CITY HALL. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 P.M. (The meeting was not open to the public, it was live-streamed on Facebook).

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS, CULLINAN, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, MAYOR RIVARA, ATTORNEY JIM ANDREONI AND CITY CLERK EITUTIS. ABSENT: ARGUBRIGHT.

Argubright arrives at the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

Commissioner Curran begins by stating that the bids were rejected previously because they came in too high (\$285,000-540,00). The city was estimating a top end of \$240,000). Different ways were looked into in regards to cutting the cost. Putnam County Painting came back with a bid of \$220,000. Attorney Andreoni states that a statute will go into effect on June 1, 2020 which will drive up the costs of painting (coating). Commissioner Curran states that the city was able to get approximately 25 years from the last paint job. Attorney Andreoni said the contract can be awarded if 4 out of 5 council members approve the vote. Commissioner Curran said that by waiting until after June 1, 2020 the cost will significantly go up. Commissioner Curran states that by not doing 3 coats drove the bid down significantly.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY CURRAN, SECONDED BY LIJEWSKI to place on file Ordinance 1115-052820 approving a contract with Putnam County Painting, Inc. to repaint Oglesby water tower. AYES: CULLINAN, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA. ABSENT: ARGUBRIGHT.

Public Comment: none

Mayor Rivara asks to start a discussion for outdoor dining. Commissioner Curran feels it would be good to have some lead time prior to the Ordinance. Attorney Andreoni states that the Governor has made changes to the requirements for parts of the state for the Phase 3 re-opening order. ON May 29, 2020 we will move from Phase 2 to Phase 3. Attorney Andreoni states that one of the changes is that outdoor and dining and alcohol will be allowed; however; there are still rules that will be in place. Attorney Andreoni notes that he has sent Spring Valley's ordinance to the Commissioners and Mayor and made few changes to it. Attorney Andreoni gives explanation about what is in Spring Valley's ordinance. Attorney Andreoni asks that changes to the proposed ordinance be given to him as soon as possible. Mayor Rivara states that inside dining is still not allowed but patios and parking lots can be used, social distancing, number of persons per table and tables being six feet apart would have to be enforced. Commissioner Curran states he is in favor of ways to offer businesses options. Curran has concerns about the ordinance being temporary. Mayor Rivara states it is a starting point. Mayor wants businesses to be involved in the decision making. Commissioner Lijewski asks if CABO has an upcoming meeting soon? Mayor states it would be in the business owners' best interest to be involved in regards to the ordinance. Commissioner Argubright feels it would be a good "test" to the businesses. Commissioner Curran states he did receive

feedback from Chamlin's engineering. Commissioner Cullinan agreed that getting in touch with business owners would be a good idea as well. The Mayor feels that if it works out it would be good permanently, Commissioner Curran agrees. Attorney Andreoni states that Spring Valley is having a special meeting on May 27, 2020 and are inviting the business owners to attend to get their feedback. Commissioner Curran said that targeting the downtown area is good but there may be other areas where this could apply to also. Mayor Rivara makes reference to other businesses that may take part in the outdoor dining. Attorney Andreoni states that changes can be made to the proposed ordinance if the commissioners get them to him. Attorney Andreoni states that he will not be at the next council meeting on May 28, 2020. Attorney Andreoni gives explanation as to how the ordinance is to be passed in the form that it is placed on file. Commissioner Argubright feels that getting the ordinance on file soon and passing it is best. Commissioner Curran questions that dining only portion also. Attorney Andreoni explains that four people would have to be present at the May 28, 2020 meeting in order for the water tower painting ordinance to be passed.

Mayor Rivara states that there is a raccoon problem within the city. He asks residents to not feed them and that the city cannot remove them and to contact the office to get information

A MOTION TO ADJOURN WAS MADE BY LIJEWSKI, SECONDED BY CURRAN at 7:01 p.m. AYES: ARGUBRIGHT, CULLINAN, CURRAN, LIJEWSKI, RIVARA.

Amy Eitutis, City Clerk